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Sen. Nodler Successfully Sponsors Stacey L. Allen to Serve as Student Representative on the MSSC Board of Regents

JEFFERSON CITY - State Sen. Gary Nodler, R-Joplin, has successfully sponsored the appointment of Stacey L. Allen of Mountain Grove to the student representative seat on the Missouri Southern State College Board of Regents.

"It's helpful to have a student's voice on the Board of Regents," Nodler said. "Stacey has been very active as a student, and I'm certain she'll do an outstanding job of representing her fellow students."

Allen, a junior, is an elementary education major who is expected to graduate in May 2004. She is the Intramural Coordinator, managing a staff of 12 students. Allen is also a member of the Missouri Southern Student Senate.

Allen replaces Brett Doennig, who resigned.

The Missouri Southern State College Board of Regents governs the Joplin college and is responsible for hiring the college president and reviewing his performance every year; clarifying the institution's mission; approving the institution's long-term mission and plans; preserving institutional independence; ensuring the institution's financial solvency; and enhancing the college's public image.

The governor makes appointments to state boards and commissions with the advice and consent of the Senate.

The Senate Committee on Gubernatorial Appointments usually meets weekly during the legislative session. Their sponsoring senator presents each appointee to the committee.

Once the committee has approved appointments, the chairman reports on the committee's action to the floor for consideration by the full Senate.

Appointees must be approved by the committee and confirmed by the full Senate before taking the position on the board or the committee.